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1. MFA HAS JUST RECEIVED MESSAGE FROM ITALIAN AMBASSADOR AT SUANDA (VECCHI) STATING THAT TWO AMERICAN MISSIONARIES EX-SHABA PROVINCE, MAUGHLIN AND ANDERSON, ARRIVED IN LUANDA SATURDAY, JUNE 4 FROM TWO OF LUSO. VECCHI REPORTS THAT THE PAIR ARE WELL AND THAT THEY ARRIVED IN LUANDA TOGETHER WITH THREE BELGIUM PRIESTS, TWO BELGIUM NUNS, AND THREE SPANISH NUNS.

2. MAUGHLIN AND ANDERSON ARE NOW BEING HOUSED IN A ROMAN CATHOLIC INSTITUTE IN LUANDA TOGETHER WITH 17 OTHER MISSIONARIES EX-SHABA PROVINCE, ALL OF WHOM ARE AWAITING REPATRIATION. VECCHI STATES THAT HE IS WORKING THROUGH THE ANGOLAN MFA TO SPEED UP THE REPATRIATION PROCESS. BOTH ANDERSON AND MAUGHLIN HAVE, ACCORDING TO VECCHI, TELEPHONED TO RELATIVE IN NEW YORK TO REPORT THEIR SAFE ARRIVAL IN LUANDA.

3. ACCORDING TO VECCHI, THE TWO AMERICANS LEFT THEIR MISSION AT SANDOA AT THE TIME OF A BOMBING ATTACK AND PROCEEDED TO DILOLO ON MAY 20. FROM THERE THEY
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CROSSED INTO ANGOLA ON THE SAME DAY OVER A BRIDGE SUBSEQUENTLY DESTROYED BY THE ANGOLANS, ALLEGEDLY TO PREVENT ITS USE BY THE KATANGAN INSURGENTS AS AN ESCAPE ROUTE.
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